

**RULES
OF
STATE ELECTION BOARD**

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(1) The Secretary of State shall be authorized to create a web application that allows registered voters to submit an absentee ballot application via an online portal. Such application shall verify the identity of the voter by matching the voter's name, date of birth, and Georgia driver's license or state identification card number contained in the state voter registration system with the name, date of birth, and Georgia driver's license or state identification card number entered into the online portal.

(2) Except for the online portal developed by the Secretary of State's office that verifies voters as described above, all other absentee ballot applications shall contain an actual signature of the voter that shall be compared to the signature(s) contained in the voter's voter registration record (except applications submitted by authorized relatives or by physically disabled electors who cannot make their mark). Signatures made on touchpads or other images of the voter's actual signature that can be submitted in such a way so as to allow the registrar to compare the submitted signature and the signature on file are acceptable to meet this requirement.

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